Foint No. 19:302 (Rev. 10:74)

UNITED STATES DEFARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

# PUGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

Harrisburg

Con a sport	ues ourv	
FOR NPS	USE ONLY	
RECEIVED	<b>)</b>	
DATEEN		

INVENTORY NOMINATION	FORM DAT	E ENTERE	.D	
SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN <i>HOW</i> T TYPE ALL ENTRIES	TO COMPLETE NATION COMPLETE APPLICAT	<i>NAL RE</i> BLE SEC	<i>GISTER FORMS</i> TIONS	
NAME				•
ніsтовіс Easton Section of the Lehigh Canal &	Clandan & Abbott St	reet Inc	lustrial Sites	
Easton Section of the Lenigh Canal &	Glendon & Habott 20			
Hugh Moore Parkway				
LOCATION				
		. Le	high and Delay	vare Rivers
STREET & NUMBER  Along the Lehigh River from Hopevill CITY, TOWN	<u>e to the confluence c</u>	of the No	ONGRESSIONAL DISTRI	ст
city, tōwn Easton (Rt. 48065) ——	_ VICINITY OF		15th	
STATE	CODE		ounty thampton	095
Pennsylvania	42	1101	mamoron	
CLASSIFICATION			•	
CATEGORY OWNERSHIP	STATUS		PRES	ENT USE
_DISTRICT X PUBLIC	X_OCCUPIED		AGRICULTURE	MUSEUM
BUILDING(S)PRIVATE	UNOCCUPIED		COMMERCIAL	X PARK
X_STRUCTUREBOTH	WORK IN PROGRESS		XEDUCATIONAL	PRIVATE RESIDENCERELIGIOUS
X SITE PUBLIC ACQUISITION			ENTERTAINMENT	SCIENTIFIC
OBJECTIN PROCESS	X_YES: RESTRICTED		GOVERNMENTINDUSTRIAL	TRANSPORTATION
BEING CONSIDERED	YES: UNRESTRICTED		MILITARY	_OTHER:
	_NO			
OWNER OF PROPERTY				
NAME				
Mutiple (see continuation	on sheet)			
STREET & NUMBER				
CITY, TOWN			STATE	
	VICINITY OF			
LOCATION OF LEGAL DESC	KIPHON			
COURTHOUSE. REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Northampton Cou	nty Courthouse			
STREET & NUMBER	nty Courthouse			
7th and Walnut St	reets		STATE	
CITY, TOWN			Pennsylvania	
Faston REPRESENTATION IN EXIS	TING SHRVEYS	3		
REPRESENTATION IN EATS	IIId box vers		•	
Pennsylvania Inventory of Histo	ric Places			
DATE Pennsylvania inventory or misto	TIC TIACCO	<b>v</b>		
1/25/7?	FEDERAL	STATE	_COUNTY _LOCA	L'
DEPOSITORY FOR	and Museum Comp	nission		
SURVEY RECORDS Pennsylvania Historica	at and museum Comm	111001011	STATE	
Harrishurg			<u>Pennsylvani</u>	a



#### CONDITION

**CHECK ONE** 

**CHECK ONE** 

EXCELLENT  $\mathbf{x}_{\mathsf{GOOD}}$ 

\_\_DETERIORATED XRUINS

\_\_UNALTERED XALTERED

XORIGINAL SITE MOVED

\_\_UNEXPOSED \_\_FAIR

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Easton Section of the Lehigh Canal followed the valley of the Lehigh River in Northampton County from Hopeville on Legislative Route 48065 to the confluence of the Lehigh and Delaware Rivers at Easton, Pennsylvania. This section contained three canal locks (locks number 46, 47, 48), two Guard Dams (#8, #9), one Chain Bridge, and one Guard Lock (#8). Associated with these canal features were four lock keeper houses and approximately 5.6 miles of towpaths. Along the canal banks several industrial areas developed through the influence of increased commerce and transportation. Three of the more important areas were the Glendon Iron Works and Industrial Area, the Lucy Furnance and the Abbott Street Industrial Area.

The following is a breakdown of general Lehigh Canal features, those canal features specific to the Easton section and the industrial features of the area.

Lehigh Canal: Overall Statistics and Information

#### 1. Dates of Construction:

Engineering Survey started: 1814

Construction started: 1816 Through navigation began: 1829

(partial navigation as each section was opened)

Last commercial traffic: 1931

### 2. Engineers, Surveyors and Proprietors:

Preliminary Survey and initial scope engineering: Josiah White

Chief Civil Engineer: Canvass White

Proprietors of Company: Erskine Hazzard & others from Schuylkill Falls Nail

Factory

#### 3. Elevation:

Section I of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Canal from Easton to Mauch Chunk (Jim Thorpe), Pennsylvania is 36 miles long. Elevation at Guard Lock #8 at Easton is 125 feet above sea level. Elevation at Guard Lock #1 at Mauch Chunk (Jim Thorpe) is 493 feet above sea level. The change in elevation is 368 feet.

### 4. Number of Locks in Entire Canal:

76 Locks, 8 Guard locks, 28 Dams, 6 Aqueducts

### 5. Source of water supply for the Lehigh Canal:

the general Lehigh River Basin Watershed Area

Form No. 10-300a (Rev. 10-74)

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

FOR NPS USE ONLY		
RECEIVED		-
DATE ENTERED	• •	٠.

# NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

EASTON SECTION of the LEHIGH CANAL
CONTINUATION SHEET ITEM NUMBER 7 PAGE 2

#### 6. Speed and type of navigation:

Average speed was 2 to 3 miles per hour with a two mule draft. The working day was generally 12 to 16 hours. At one time special high wheeled mechanical tractors with spiked wheels were tried. But the mechanical gearing and transmissions available at that time did not allow for low speed traveling for an extended period. If speeded up the wake would erode and damage the banks of the towpath. Also at that time mechanical maintenance and skilled operators were not available in a cost frame to compete with mule power.

#### 7. Boat type and dimensions:

The general cargo boats were 16 feet wide, 35 feet long, 7 feet deep drawing 5 to 6 feet of water and hauling 5 to 40 ton cargos. Generally two boats were hooked together using eyes and coupling pins to give the boat an overall length of 75 to 80 feet. In the later years longer boats were used often to a combined length of 100 feet.

On the Lehigh Canal, coal was the major commodity hauled although slate, flagstone, timber and farm products were also hauled.

With the continued and varied loads many other types of boats were developed for special purposes. Some of these specialized boats were supply boats, work boats, house boats, donkey engine boats for dredging, spoil boats and at times a floating general store.

#### 8. Typical Lock dimensions:

General lock dimensions on the Lehigh Canal were 36 feet wide, 110 to 130 feet long, with a height of 8 to 16 feet depending on the change in elevation.

#### 9. Canal and Towpath Dimensions:

The Lehigh Canal was divided into two sections. Section I, the lower canal, ran from Easton to Mauch Chunk (Jim Thorpe) and was 36 miles long. This section contained 47 locks, 8 dams, 8 guard locks and 6 aqueducts. Section II, the upper canal, ran from Mauch Chunk (Jim Thorpe) north to White Haven and was 26 miles long. This section contained 29 locks and 20 dams. Above White Haven two dam chutes (bear trap locks) were operated from Stoddartsville. These chutes could only be operated following the heavy spring rains and snow melt-off.

The canal was dug 60 feet wide at the top and 45 feet wide at the bottom and was 5 to 6 feet deep. Towpaths were 8 to 12 feet wide.

Form No. 10-300a (Rev. 10-74)

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

FOR NPS USE ONLY				
RECEIVED				
i i				

DATE ENTERED

# NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

EASTON SECTION of the LEHIGH CANAL

CONTINUATION SHEET ITEM NUMBER 7 PAGE

### 10. Original Purpose of the Lehigh Canal:

The discovery of anthracite coal in the vicinity of Mauch Chunk (Jim Thorpe) and the desire to market this coal created a need for a cheap and efficient means of transportation. Roads along the route were almost impassable and shipping on the Lehigh and Delaware Rivers slow, uncertain and hazardous. The Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company Canal was chartered to provide an easy and economical method to transport anthracite coal to Easton where it could be shipped on the Delaware River or Delaware Canal to Philadelphia or transferred via the Morris Canal to New York City.

### 11. Present Condition of the Canal:

In 1841 a flood destroyed most of the canal above Mauch Chunk (Jim Thorpe) little of this section was rebuilt although there are isolated features still present. From Mauch Chunk (Jim Thorpe) to Walnutport (Lock 1 to Lock 24) The canal is in good condition with most features still present. The canal in this area is publically owned.

From Walnutport to Allentown (Lock 24 to Lock 38) the canal is in poor condition with only scattered features remaining. All dams in this area have been breached. This section is in private ownerships.

The section from Lock 38 at Allentown to Lock 47 in Easton where the canal enters the Delaware River is in excellent condition with water in most of the canal length.

It is our intention to nominate the three best preserved sections to the National Register of Historic Places. These sections are: (1) Lehigh Gap to Weissport, (2) Allentown to Hopeville and (3) Hopeville to Easton.

### Lehigh Canal: Easton Section

The lower section of the Lehigh Canal passed through an area of rugged hills and narrow river valley. The Easton Section extended from lock 46 at Hope Village to lock 47 and guard dom 9 at Easton where the Lehigh River flows into the Delaware River. This area includes part of Section 7 and all of Section 8 of the original canal divisions. The Lehigh Canal was originally divided into eight sections which corresponded with the eight guard dams.

The following is a breakdown of all the original canal features in the Easton section, their condition today and any modern features present. This breakdown is keyed to the official Lehigh Canal Charts (#64 to #59) as revised in 1954.

Form No. 10-300a (Rev. 10-74)

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

FOR NPS USE ONLY

RECEIVED

# NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

DATE ENTERED

EASTON SECTION of the LEHIGH CANAL

**CONTINUATION SHEET** 

ITEM NUMBER

PAGE 1

### MAP 64: Hopeville to Turkey Island

Leading from Lock #45 the canal ran along the north bank of the Lehigh River. At lock #46 a slack water section ran north of Aberly Island and Turkey Island. Towpath extended to the end of Turkey Island.

#### Canal Feature:

Lock #46 weighlock Owner: Bethlehem Township

Towpath

Canal Bed

## Condition:

This concrete and wooden weighlock is in poor condition. Because the canal was in operation until 1931, many of the original stone lock walls were replaced with concrete after 1895.

overgrown but still visable

overgrown but still visable

### Associated Features:

Lock Keepers House Owner: Ann Gesler 1705 Hope Road Easton, Pa. 215-253-5949 This late 1880 lockeepers house is in fair condition although altered by by addition of asbestos shingles. This two story, two bay by two bay house has a gable roof and a two story wing on the rear. This house is privately owned by the daughter of the last lockeeper.

### Modern Features:

none

### MAP 63: Turkey Island to Mid point of Island Park

The canal in this section was slackwater following the north bank of the Lehigh River until a point opposite Chain Dam Island were it crossed over to Chain Dam Island along a causeway and guide wires. From here at the northern end of Chain Dam Island it followed the southern bank of the island.

Form No. 10-300a (Rev. 10-74)

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

FOR	NPS	USE	ONLY

RECEIVED

DATE ENTERED

# NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

EASTON SECTION of the LEHIGH CANAL

CONTINUATION SHEET

ITEM NUMBER 7

PAGE 5

Canal Features:

Condition:

Causeway

Originally a stone and wooden breakwater used to guide canal boats accross to Chain Dam Island. Only remnants of this causeway remain and are not visible

a normal river level.

Towpath

overgrown

Associated Features:

none

Modern Features:

none

### MAP 62: Chain Dam Island to Weir on South Bank of Lehigh River

The canal in this section continues as slackwater along the southern bank of the Chain Dam Island (Island Park) to the Chain Dam Bridge where the boats crossed the river towed by mules using the Chain Dam Bridge. Boats were then pulled to Guard Lock #8 where they again entered the canal basin on the southern bank of the Lehigh River.

### Canal Features:

Condition:

Towpath to guard lock #8

overgrown

Chain Dam Bridge

This cable suspension bridge was built in 1856-1857 by E. A. Douglas. The bridge is a composite of 3 stone piers and two spans. Each of the piers is approximately 30' high. The bridge surface was supported by a stranded cable thought to be made by the Roebling Company. Only the three piers and cables remain. This bridge was placed on the National Register on Feburary 12, 1974.

Form No. 10-300a (Hev. 10-74)

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

_				
FOR	<b>NPS</b>	USE	01	VLY

RECEIVED

DATE ENTERED

# NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

EASTON SECTION of the LEHIGH CANAL

CONTINUATION SHEET

ITEM NUMBER

PAGE 6

Guard Lock #8 and Inlet Basin

This stone and wooden lock and inlet basin are original and in excellent working condition. This inlet guarded the canal from flooding and the gates were usually left open.

Dam #8

Just below guard lock #8 is located Dam #8. The original dam was constructed of rock and timber. This dam forced water into the canal section from guard lock #8 to outlet lock #48. The original dam was replaced by the state in 1974 with a concrete dam. The new dam is at approximately the same location as the old dam.

Canal Basin

good condition and water filled

Towpath

cleared and in good condition

Weir

Stone and concrete, an automatic gate to water run off the canal in times of high water, good condition

### Associated Features:

Lockeepers House at Guard Lock #8

This lockeepers house dates from 1920's and is the third on the site. Located between the lock and the dam, this  $2\frac{1}{2}$  story frame and clapboard house is L shaped. It has a gable roof and is 3 bays by two bays. It is in excellent condition and is owned by the city of Easton.

Modern Features:

none

Form No. 10-300a (Hev. 10-74)

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

F	OR	NP	S	U	SE	ON	LY

RECEIVED

DATE ENTERED

# NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

EASTON SECTION on the LEHIGH CANAL

CONTINUATION SHEET

ITEM NUMBER

PAGE 7

### MAP 61: Weir to below site of Glendon Industrial Site

From the weir, the canal basin runs along the south bank of the Lehigh River past the site and ruins of the Lucy Furnace to the Glendon Industrial Area. This was the site of intensive industry during the late 1800's.

#### Canal Features:

### Condition:

Canal Basin

in good condition and water filled

Towpath

cleared and in good condition

### Associated Features:

Lucy Furnace Site

Site and ruins of the Lucy Furnace, the Warren Wilber and Company. This iron furnace once had a blast furnace, sheds and workers houses on the site. Today only foundations and the lower section of the blast furnace remain.

Glendon Industrial Site

Site and ruins of intensive industry from 1825 to 1900. Lured by the success of the canal, Charles Jackson, Jr. of Boston developed an early (1843) anthracite iron furnace on the site incorporating hot blast techniques powered by water wheels. There were four blast furnaces on the site which was known as the Glendon Iron Works. Today only foundations and walls remain.

### Modern Features:

new 2 story park maintenance building east of the Lucy Furnace Site, built in 1974.

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

## FOR NPS USE ONLY

RECEIVED

DATE ENTERED

# NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

EASTON SECTION of the LEHIGH CANAL

**CONTINUATION SHEET** 

ITEM NUMBER 7

PAGE 8

### MAP 60: Glendon Industrial Area to Lock #47

From west of the Glendon Industrial the canal basin runs along the south bank of the Lehigh River to Lock #47, an outlet lock.

Canal Features:

Condition:

Canal Basin

in good condition and water filled

Towpath

cleared and in good condition

Lock #47 outlet lock

The present lock was built in 1903-4

and is concrete and wooden.

Associated Features:

Lockeepers House at

Lock #47

Stone foundations of lockeepers house are located north of the lock between the canal and the river.

Abbott Street Industrial Area

Site and ruins of extensive industrial area dating from the early 1800's. In 1832 the ground was broken for the first industry and by 1838 there were mills, grist mills, a wire factory, the Van Buren Iron Furnace, a cotton factory, a bucket factory and a rifle factory. Foundations and ruins are all that remain on the site.

Modern Features:

none

### MAP 59: Lock #47 to the Confluence of the Lehigh and Delaware Rivers

From lock #47 the canal continued to outlet lock #48. Originally the canal extended for another 850 yards before entering the Lehigh River. In 1900 lock #48 was moved back to the present site. The canal along this older section is now buried. From outlet lock #48 the canal was slackwater with towpaths along the south bank of the Lehigh River making a southward turn into Lock #23 on the Delaware Canal with connections across the Delaware River to the Morris Canal.

Form No. 10-300a (Hev. 10-74)

### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

_				
F	OR	NPS	USE	ONLY

RECEIVED

DATE ENTERED

### NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES **INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

EASTON SECTION of the LEHIGH CANAL

CONTINUATION SHEET

ITEM NUMBER

PAGE

Canal Features:

Canal Basin

Towpath

Canal Overflow

Lock #48, outlet lock

Dam #9

Condition:

in good condition and water filled

cleared and in good condition

stone and wooden overflow gate, in

fair condition

concrete and wooden lock built in 1900. Location of the lock was moved from 850

vards downriver.

a common dam, built to force water into the Delaware Canal. This dam spans the Lehigh River where it enters The present dam the Delaware River.

was built in 1966.

Associated Features:

Lockeepers House at lock #48

Toll Collectors Office

Canal Museum

foundations, stone

Stone and brick foundations of circa 1830's toll collectors office.

Originally a C. K. Williams Coal Yard Building constructed in 1890. This building was renovated and developed

into a canal museum in 1970.

Presently the Easton section of the Lehigh Canal is owned and utilized by the City of Easton as a park. At this time only picnic areas, trails and river access areas have been developed, however, bike paths, nature areas, sports areas are proposed.

PERIOD	AF	REAS OF SIGNIFICANCE CH	RECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW	
PREHISTORIC	ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	COMMUNITY PLANNING	LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	RELIGION
1400-1499	X ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	CONSERVATION	LAW	_SCIENCE
1500-1599	AGRICULTURE	ECONOMICS	LITERATURE	SCULPTURE
1600-1699	ARCHITECTURE	EDUCATION	MILITARY	_SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
1700-1799	ART	<b>X</b> ENGINEERING	MUSIC	THEATER
X 1800-1899	X_COMMERCE	EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	PHILOSOPHY	* TRANSPORTATION
<u>X</u> _1900-	COMMUNICATIONS	XINDUSTRY _INVENTION	POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	_OTHER (SPECIFY)
SPECIFIC DAT	TES 1829 1931	BUILDER/ARCI	HITECT.	

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The discovery of anthracite coal (stone coal) near the town of Mauch Chunk (Jim Thorpe) in 1791 marked the beginning of the industrial development of the Lehigh River Valley and the rapid growth of towns in the area.

In 1793, the Lehigh Coal Mine Company was formed. This company purchased a large tract of land on Summit Hill where the first discovery of anthracite coal was made.

The nearest potential market of any size at that time was Philadelphia. The company was faced with two problems: to find an efficient and cheap way to deliver the coal to market and to educate the public to its uses. For the next 25 years the shipment of coal was slow and hazardous. For a while coal was shipped on wooden boats called arks but these could only be used when the river was high and many arks never made it to market.

Following the War of 1812, bituminous coal in the eastern markets became scarce and expensive. This plus an increased use of anthracite by blacksmiths caused the demand for anthracite to spiral. Much coal was shipped by arks to Philadelphia at this time. One of the bigest anthracite users at this time was the firm of White and Hazard, nail manufacturers. So when the original trustees of the Lehigh Coal Mining Company gave up their business in 1817, Josiah White decided to visit the Lehigh Mines.

Josiah White in his work with the nail factory had also become interested in the use of water power. Because of his interest, he built the first dam and lock on the Schuylkill River.

As a result of his visit to the mines, the firm of White and Hazard and Hauto leased the Lehigh Coal Mine Company's land. In order to transport the coal to market they petitioned the state legislature for permission to improve the Lehigh River. So in April of 1818, White and Hazard began to survey the Lehigh River. In 1818 they also started the Lehigh Navigation Company and work in improving the river began the same year at the mouth of the Nesquehoning Creek. They had planned to narrow the channel so to raise the water for boat travel, however, they discovered that there still wasn't enough water. In order to solve this problem, Josiah White invented a new type of lock system which became known as a Bear Trap Dam. These unusual dams were designed to create aritifical freshets so when the dam gates were opened the boats would float down stream on an aritifical flood.

During the first year of river improvements, about 40 buildings were built at the mouth of the Nesquehoning, to house workers. From this grew the town of Mauch Chunk (Jim Thorpe).

Form No. 10-300a (Rev. 10-74)

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

FOR NPS USE ONLY
RECEIVED
DATE ENTERED

# NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

EASTON SECTION of the LEHIGH CANAL

CONTINUATION SHEET ITEM NUMBER 8 PAGE 2

By 1820 most of the money originally invested in the two companys was spent. So on April 20, 1820, the two companies merged to form the Lehigh Navigation and Coal Company. The canal at this time only consisted of 2 bear traps on the upper Lehigh River and open river travel to the Delaware River on flat bottomed arks. But eventhough coal transportation was still dangerous the demand for anthracite grew so that by 1824 more than 9,500 tons of coal were shipped to Philadelphia. In order to improve transportation further, construction was started on the lower sections of the Lehigh Canal in 1827. The work was put under the supervision of Canvass White, an engineer and relative of Josiah White, who had previously helped build the Erie Canal in New York State. In two years the Lehigh Canal was completed and regular canal coal shipments began.

In January of 1841 there was a terrible flood on the Lehigh River and many locks and dams were completely destroyed. But in time most of the canal was repaired and coal shipments continued. Over 500,000 tons were shipped in 1846.

In June of 1862 a second flood ripped through the dams and locks on the Lehigh Canal. When the Mauch Chunk dam broke over 150 people were killed. Damage was so bad that most of the canal between White Haven and Mauch Chunk was destroyed. In 1855 the Lehigh Vally Railroad began operation. Following the Civil War the use of the railroad for hauling heavy loads began replacing the canal. This plus the disastrous floods convinced the company not to rebuild the upper canal. The canal continued operation but as the years went by shipments by canal decreased. From the post-war World War I peak of 5,000,000 tons in 1923, shipment dropped to 3,000,000 tons by 1929. Following 1927, the Lehigh Navigation and Coal Company made no more profits and shipping on the canal stopped in 1931.

In its 102 years of operation the Lehigh Canal helped to form and develop the industry and settlements along the Lehigh River. Starting with the early canal buildiers, people began settling along the canal and soon small towns and villages began with the canal came increased mobility for people and goods. The canal was not only used for transporting coal, produce, lumber but livestock traveled to market via the canal also.

Industry soon developed along the canal, too. Canal boat building, industries which manufactured canal-support products, coal using industries and industries that need the water power created by the canal were soon started. Three such industrial areas developed along the canal in the Easton section of which only ruins remain today.

Form No. 10-300a (Hev. 10-74)

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

FOR NPS USE ONLY	7.7
RECEIVED	
DATE ENTERED	

# NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

EASTON SECTION of the LEHIGH CANAL
CONTINUATION SHEET ITEM NUMBER

PAGE

#### ABBOTT STREET AREA

By 1832 ground was broken for the first industry in Abbott Street. By 1838 there were mills, grist mills, a wire factory, and iron furnace, a cotton factory, a bucket factory and a rifle factory in this area.

#### GLENDON INDUSTRIAL AREA

In 1843 Charles Jackson, Jr. of Boston built the Glendon Iron Company, one mile west of the Abbott Street area along the Lehigh Canal. As time went on other industries such as the Keystone Iron Plant also built here.

#### LUCY FURNACE SITE

Up the canal from the Glendon Iron Company another iron furnace, the Lucy Furnace was built in the mid 1800's.

These industrial areas played an important part in the development of the area and continued in operation till the end of the nineteenth century. Today they are only ruins and archeological remains.

The Lehigh Canal played an important part in the development of the anthracite coal industry and the Lehigh River Valley. In 1953, a group of citizens of the three county area along the canal (Carbon, Lehigh and Northampton) met and formed the Lehigh River Restoration Association. Their goals are to restore and improve the Lehigh River and Canal for industrial and recreational use. Since 1953, the City of Easton has purchased the Easton section of the Canal and is developing the area as parkland.

### MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

(SEE CONTINUATION SHEET)

PARTO DA					
<b>OGEOGRAPHICAL D</b>			•		
ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERT	y <u>260</u>	(see continuation sheet for zonings)			
UTM REFERENCES		(See Co.	itilidation sheet for	20111160)	
ΔΙ.ΙΙΙ.Ι.Ι	1.1.1.1	в1,11	1.1.,11.1	del	
ZONE EASTING	NORTHING		ASTING NORTH	HING	
C				1111	
VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIP	PTION				
The second secon	The second section of the second	i de la companya di Santa di S			
<b>v</b>			( 500,0		
		•			
Legg (nergina	35(* )	$\tilde{Y}_{i}^{(2)}$	•	,60% M	
LIST ALL STATES AND C	OUNTIES FOR PROPERT	IES OVERI APPING	STATE OR COUNTY BOX	INDARIES	
EIGT ALL STATES AND C					
STATE	CODE	COUNTY		CODE	
				CODE	
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	,	CODE	
				A THE RESIDENCE OF THE PARTY OF	
II FORM PREPARED	BY				
NAME / TITLE	<b></b>				
Susan M. Zacher	/ J. Stevens Hump	hries, Director	DATE		
ORGANIZATION PHMC / Hugh M	loore Park Commiss	sion			
STREET & NUMBER	TOOLE LAIK COMMITTEE	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	TELEPHONE		
Box 1026			<u> </u>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
CITY OR TOWN			STATE		
Harrisburg / Ea			Pennsylvania		
<b>ESTATE HISTORIC</b>	PRESERVATIO	N OFFICER	CERTIFICATIO	N	
THE EVALU	ATED SIGNIFICANCE OF	THIS PROPERTY W	/ITHIN THE STATE IS:		
NATIONAL X	STAT	Έ	LOCAL		
	0% (	latia al Iliatorio Pro	paryation Act of 1966 (Pu	blic Law 89-665) 1	
As the designated State Historic Pre hereby nominate this property for i	eservation Unicer for the in	Penister and certify	that it has been evaluate	d according to the	
criteria and procedures set forth by	the National Park Service.				
omong dija production con termini,		1 37%	2 1 . C		
STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFF					
TITLE WILLIAM J. WEW	ER, Executive Direc	etor	DATE		
Pennsylvania Hist FOR NPS USE ONLY	orical & Museum Co	ommission			
HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS F	PROPERTY IS INCLUDED	IN THE NATIONAL	REGISTER		
	V. O.C. AND JUGTODIC PO	TECEDIATION!	DATE		
DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEO ATTEST:		RESERVATION	DATE		
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REC					
	The state of the s				
The second secon				000 000 453	

### (Hev. 10-74)

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

FOR NPS USE ONLY	<del></del>	<del>,</del>	
RECEIVED			
DATE ENTERED			

# NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

EASTON SECTION of the LEHIGH CANAL

CONTINUATION SHEET ITEM NUMBER 9 PAGE 1

### MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Anderson, J. A. - "Navigation on the Delaware and Lehigh Rivers" Bucks County Historical Society, Vol. 4, 1917. pps. 282-312.

Bryski, A. J. "The Lehigh Canal and its effect on the economic development of the region through which it passes, 1818-1878." Ph. D. Dissertation for New York University, June, 1957. Microfilm copy at the Canal Museum Library.

Cummings, H. M. "Janies D. Harris, Canal Engineer" Pennsylvania History, Vol. 18, 1951. pps. 293-306.

Gausler, W. H. "Reminiscenses of the Lehigh and Delaware Canals from, 1840-1856." Pennsylvania Germania. Vol. XIII, July, 1912. pps. 452-456

Harlow, A. R. "Old Towpaths" Appleton 1926. pps. 174-184

Harlow, A. R. "Old Towpaths" Kennikat Press. 1954. pps. 177-184

Hartman, E. J. "Josiah White and his Lehigh Canal" Pennsylvania History, 1940. pps. 225-235

Hartman, J. L. "John Daugherty and the rise of the section boat system." Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography, Vol. 69, October 1945. pps. 412-416

Henry, M. S. "History of the Lehigh Valley" Corwin, 1860. pps. 375-394, 412-416

Hoffman, J. N. "Anthracite in the Lehigh Valley Region of Pennsylvania, 1820-1845." Smithsonian Institution Press. 1968. Paper No. 72. pps. 89-141

Joint Planning Commission, Lehigh and Northampton Counties "History of the Lehigh Valley Region." 1963 pps. 60-66

Klein, T. B. "Canals of Pennsylvania and the System of Internal Improvements." Canal Press 1973.

Lehigh Coal and Navigation Co. "A History of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Co." William S. Young. 1840. Printed by order of the Board of Managers.

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

FOR NPS USE ONLY			
RECEIVED		,	

DATE ENTERED

# NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

EASTON SECTION of the LEHIGH CANAL CONTINUATION SHEET ITEM NUMBER 9 PAGE 2

Lehigh Coal and Navigation Co. "Annual Reports, 1825-1956." Privately printed for the Pennsylvania Canal Society.

Miller, John. "The Lehigh Canal, A Very Short History" Pennsylvania Canal Society. 1975.

Rapp, F. F. "Lehigh and Delaware Division Canal Notes." Bucks County Historical Society. Vol. IV. 1917. pps. 600-606

Shank, W. H. "The Amazing Pennsylvania Canals" American Canal & Transportation Center, York, Pennsylvania

White, Josiah. "Josiah White's History, given by himself." Bachman Co. 1909.

Williams, D. G. "The Lehigh Canal System." Proceedings of the Lehigh County Historical Society. Vol. 4, 1958. pps. 99-130.

Yoder, C. P. "Delaware Canal Journal" Canal Press, Inc. 1972

Lehigh Navigation Coal Company, Inc. The Story of the Old Company Lansford, Pennsylvania 1941.





